

Receive Aid During a Crisis

(Food, Water, Shelter, Transportation, Medicine)

Loudoun County Animal Services wants to help you during a crisis- Participate in the 'Protect Livestock' program by providing contact information for your household and a record of your livestock. Having this information is key for emergency responders to better plan to assist you and your animals in the event of an emergency or extreme weather.

Establish an Emergency Plan

Types of Emergencies:

- Natural Disasters— drought, floods, hurricanes tornados, derechos, wildfires, winter storms
- Man-made Disasters—industrial, terrorism
- Farm Events— barn or other structural fires, vehicular incidents, biosecurity

Before the Disaster:

- Think ahead and establish an emergency plan
- Survey your property, find alternative water sources, identify evacuation routes
- Maintain updated lists to track animals, equipment, supplies, and hazardous materials like pesticides, fertilizer, fuel, or other chemicals or medications
- Conduct property inspections to identify potential dangers- failing structures, fire risks, electrical risks, flooding risks, drifting snow or ice sheet risks, and damaged or dead trees

Preparing:

- Keep up with current events, weather, and news. Many disasters come with a few days notice
- Ensure an accessible supply of feed and water
- Ensure that all animals have some form of identification that will help facilitate their return: tattoo, microchip, brand or tag
- Make sure your vehicles and trailers are maintained, have fuel, and insurance. Train your animals to load and travel. Socialize your animals with strangers, different clothing and conditions
- Keep health records up to date. Have lists of feeding instructions, vaccines, Coggins testing, medication instructions
- Have contact information for Animal Control, Fire & Rescue, Sheriffs Office, local feed/ hay dealer, local vet (regular and emergency), local extension office and regional VDOT office
- Learn to use a fire extinguisher and generator
- Invite local fire authorities to perform inspections, or VDOT to inspect potentially impassable roadways
- Network and develop a buddy system with neighbors and out-of- town friends

When a Disaster Strikes:

Remain calm. Ensure your own safety first. Follow your plan. Listen for local emergency alert information. If your livestock become lost, be prepared to identify them and document ownership. If you find displaced animals, use caution when handling them and notify authorities.



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Protect Livestock

Safely Recover Escaped Livestock



To enroll, please e-mail:
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In partnership with
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What is Operation Protect Livestock?

Operation Protect Livestock is a FREE Sheriff's Office and Animal Services effort to quickly notify livestock owners when their animals break free from their fenced fields and wander into roadways.

How Does Operation Protect Livestock Work?

Livestock owners provide the Sheriff's Office 911 Center with their emergency contact information. When livestock is discovered wandering in roadways or onto the land of another, the 911 Center can search for the address and immediately attempt to reach the livestock owner, any time of the day or night.

How Does this Program Help You?

By quickly notifying the livestock owner, the animals can be safely returned.

Enroll by Phone Message



(703) 771-5670 ext 6440

Include the following information:

- **Owner Name**
- **Owner's Street Address**
- **Home Phone**
- **Emergency Contact Phone Number (for when away from home)**
- **Livestock location**
- **Notes about your livestock**

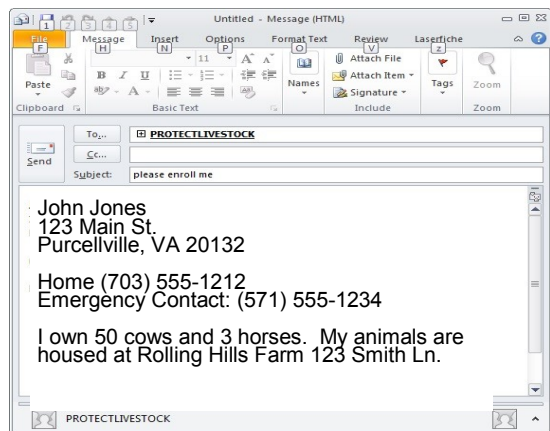
Enroll by Email



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Include the following information:

- **Owner Name**
- **Owner's Street Address**
- **Home Phone**
- **Emergency Contact Phone Number (for when away from home)**
- **Livestock housing location**
- **Notes about your livestock**



Your Privacy

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office values your privacy. We will attach your emergency contact phone numbers to your address contained in the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system (the 911 Computer) to be accessed by 911 Dispatchers. The Sheriff's Office will protect furnished information to the extent it can be protected from release under the limitations of the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (§2.2-3700).

Why Was The Program Developed?

Over the years, the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office, as well as the Department of Animal Services, have received phone calls indicating that livestock have broken free and are at-large in a particular location. When the Sheriff's Office or Animal Services arrive, the goal is to safely secure the animals and notify the owner.

Frequently, however, the owners are not home. By participating in this program, and providing emergency contact information, the 911 Center can attempt to contact you and provide needed information for the field units while they are on-scene. The goal is to safely secure the livestock before any possible injuries occur to the animal (s).

For More Information Visit



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